

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

See *Résumé* of Congressional Activity.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S1239–S1271*

**Measures Introduced:** Seven bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3367–3373, and S. Res. 524–525. **Page S1256**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 565, to require the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to submit to Congress an annual report on projects that are over budget and behind schedule, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 116–220)

S. 2560, to amend the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006, to require the budget justifications and appropriation requests of agencies be made publicly available, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 116–221)

H.R. 1589, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear intelligence and information sharing functions of the Office of Intelligence and Analysis of the Department of Homeland Security and to require dissemination of information analyzed by the Department to entities with responsibilities relating to homeland security, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 116–222)

**Pages S1255–56**

#### Measures Passed:

*Merchant Mariners of World War II Congressional Gold Medal Act:* Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 5671, to award a Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the United States Merchant Mariners of World War II, in recognition of their dedicated and vital service during World War II, and the bill was then passed.

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#### Measures Considered:

**Advanced Geothermal Innovation Leadership Act—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of

the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2657, to support innovation in advanced geothermal research and development. **Pages S1239–51**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 84 yeas to 3 nays (Vote No. 63), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S1246**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, March 3, 2020; and that notwithstanding Rule XXII, all time during recess, adjournment, morning business, and Leader remarks count post-cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S1269**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Kenneth J. Braithwaite, of Pennsylvania, to be Secretary of the Navy.

Matthew P. Donovan, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness.

Victor G. Mercado, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Dana T. Wade, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Joseph Ryan Gruters, of Florida, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors for a term of five years.

Leon A. Westmoreland, of Georgia, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors for a term of five years.

Christopher T. Hanson, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the term of five years expiring June 30, 2024.

Beth Harwell, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2024.

Brian Noland, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2024.

Alma L. Golden, of Texas, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

Ronald Mortensen, of Utah, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Population, Refugees, and Migration).

Barbera Hale Thornhill, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Singapore.

Donald Lee Moak, of Florida, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2022.

John L. Ratcliffe, of Texas, to be Director of National Intelligence.

Peter M. McCoy, Jr., of South Carolina, to be United States Attorney for the District of South Carolina for the term of four years.

Anna Maria Ruzinski, of Wisconsin, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Wisconsin for the term of four years.

David Christian Tryon, of Ohio, to be Chief Counsel for Advocacy, Small Business Administration.

4 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

47 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Foreign Service, Marine Corps, and Navy. **Pages S1269–71**

**Nomination Withdrawn:** Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Elaine A. McCusker, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), which was sent to the Senate on November 13, 2019. **Page S1271**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S1253**

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**Additional Statements:** **Pages S1252–53**

**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S1260–69**

**Privileges of the Floor:** **Page S1269**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—63) **Page S1246**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:56 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 3, 2020. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1269.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee announced the following subcommittee assignments:

*Subcommittee on Near East, South Asia, Central Asia, and Counterterrorism:* Senators Romney (Chair), Cruz, Graham, Gardner, Paul, Murphy, Cardin, Shaheen, and Kaine.

*Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Transnational Crime, Civilian Security, Democracy, Human Rights, and Global Women's Issues:* Senators Rubio (Chair), Portman, Cruz, Gardner, Barrasso, Cardin, Udall, Shaheen, and Kaine.

*Subcommittee on Europe and Regional Security Cooperation:* Senators Johnson (Chair), Barrasso, Portman, Paul, Romney, Shaheen, Murphy, Cardin, and Coons.

*Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health Policy:* Senators Graham (Chair), Perdue, Portman, Johnson, Cruz, Kaine, Coons, Booker, and Murphy.

*Subcommittee on East Asia, the Pacific, and International Cybersecurity Policy:* Senators Gardner (Chair), Rubio, Johnson, Perdue, Young, Markey, Coons, Merkley, and Udall.

*Subcommittee on Multilateral International Development, Multilateral Institutions, and International Economic, Energy, and Environmental Policy:* Senators Young (Chair), Romney, Paul, Perdue, Graham, Merkley, Udall, Markey, and Booker.

*Subcommittee on State Department and USAID Management, International Operations, and Bilateral International Development:* Senators Barrasso (Chair), Young, Paul, Portman, Rubio, Booker, Markey, Merkley, and Udall.

*Senators Risch and Menendez are ex officio members of each subcommittee.*

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 19 public bills, H.R. 6042–6060; and 5 resolutions, H. Res. 878–882, were introduced. **Pages H1437–38**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H1438–39**

**Report Filed:** A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 877, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1140) to enhance the security operations of the Transportation Security Administration and stability of the transportation security workforce by applying the personnel system under title 5, United States Code, to employees of the Transportation Security Administration who provide screening of all passengers and property, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules; and waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 116–411). **Page H1437**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Case to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1425**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:05 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Pages H1425–26**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:06 p.m. and reconvened at 4:59 p.m. **Page H1426**

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

**Improving FHA Support for Small Dollar Mortgages Act of 2020:** H.R. 5931, amended, to require a review of the effects of FHA mortgage insurance policies, practices, and products on small-dollar mortgage lending; **Pages H1426–28**

**Fair Debt Collection Practices for Servicemembers Act:** H.R. 5003, amended, to amend the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act to provide enhanced protection against debt collector harassment of members of the Armed Forces, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 355 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 79; **Pages H1428–29, H1433**

**Ensuring Chinese Debt Transparency Act of 2020:** H.R. 5932, amended, to ensure greater transparency about the terms and conditions of financing provided by China to member states of the international financial institutions, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 356 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 80; **Pages H1429–30, H1433–34**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To ensure greater transparency regarding the terms and

conditions of financing provided by the People’s Republic of China to member states of the international financial institutions.”; and **Page H1434**

**Yes In My Backyard Act:** H.R. 4351, amended, to require certain grantees under title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 to submit a plan to track discriminatory land use policies. **Pages H1430–32**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 5:45 p.m. and reconvened at 6:31 p.m. **Page H1433**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H1426.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1433 and H1433–34. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### RIGHTS FOR TRANSPORTATION SECURITY OFFICERS ACT OF 2020

**Committee on Rules:** Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 1140, the “Rights for Transportation Security Officers Act of 2020”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 7–2, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 1140, the “Rights for Transportation Security Officers Act of 2020”. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Homeland Security. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Homeland Security now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in

the report. The rule provides one motion to recommend with or without instructions. The rule provides that it shall be in order at any time on the legislative day of March 5, 2020, for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules as though under clause 1 of rule XV, relating to a measure making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020. The rule waives the requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII for a two-thirds vote to consider a report from the Committee on Rules on the same day it is presented to the House with respect to any resolution reported through the legislative day of March 5, 2020, relating to a measure making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020. Testimony was heard from Chairman Thompson of Mississippi and Representative Rogers of Alabama.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2020

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2021 for the Transportation Security Administration, 10 a.m., SD-138.

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine the posture of the Department of the Air Force in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2021 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, to receive a closed briefing on Department of Defense cyber operations, 2:30 p.m., SVC-217.

Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine United States policy and posture in support of Arctic readiness, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Science, Oceans, Fisheries, and Weather, to hold hearings to examine securing United States leadership in the bioeconomy, 9:15 a.m., SD-562.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* business meeting to consider the nomination of James P. Danly, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy; to be immediately followed by hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2021 for the Department of Energy, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Finance:* Subcommittee on International Trade, Customs, and Global Competitiveness, to hold hearings to examine censorship as a non-tariff barrier to trade, 2 p.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to hold hearings to examine an emerging disease threat, focusing on how the United States is responding to COVID-19, the Novel Coronavirus, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* to hold a joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of multiple veterans service organizations, 2 p.m., SD-G50.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

#### House

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the National Gallery of Art, 9:30 a.m., 2008 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, budget hearing on the U.S. Agency for International Development, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled "Reducing Child Poverty", 10 a.m., 2358-C Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, hearing entitled "Member Day", 10 a.m., 2358-A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled "Member Day", 10 a.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled "Military Privatized Housing", 10:30 a.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, budget hearing on the House Officers, 1 p.m., HT-2 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Department of Energy Applied Energy Programs, 2 p.m., 2362-B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Defense, hearing entitled "National Guard/Reserves", 3 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

*Committee on Armed Services,* Full Committee, hearing entitled "The Fiscal Year 2021 National Defense Authorization Budget Request for the Department of the Army", 10:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing entitled "The Fiscal Year 2021 Air Force and Space Force Readiness Posture", 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing entitled "The Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Request for Nuclear Forces and Atomic Energy Defense Activities", 2:30 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Combating an Epidemic: Legislation to Help Patients with Substance Use Disorders", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy, hearing entitled "Building a 100 Percent Clean Economy: Advanced Nuclear Technology's Role in a Decarbonized Future", 10:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and Nonproliferation; and Subcommittee on the

Middle East, North Africa, and International Terrorism, joint hearing entitled “50 Years of the Non-Proliferation Treaty: Strengthening the NPT in the Face of Iranian and North Korean Nonproliferation Challenges”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “A Review of the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Request for the Department of Homeland Security”, 10 a.m., 310 Cannon.

*Committee on House Administration*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Government Publishing Office”, 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

*Committee on Rules*, Full Committee, hearing on Article I: Constitutional Perspectives on the Responsibility and Authority of the Legislative Branch [Original Jurisdiction Hearing], 10 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Small Business*, Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Tax, and Capital Access, hearing entitled “South Dakota v. Wayfair, Inc.: Online Sales Taxes and their Impact on Main Street”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing entitled “The Airline Passenger Experience: What it Is and What It Can Be”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “The Silver Tsunami: is VA Ready?”, 10 a.m., HVC-210.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Full Committee, business meeting on the Views and Estimates Letter to the Committee on the Budget, 9 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Full Committee, hearing entitled “Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Budget with Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin”, 9 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

### Joint Meetings

*Joint Hearing*: Senate Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, to hold a joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans’ Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of multiple veterans service organizations, 2 p.m., SD-G50.

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## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

### Week of March 3 through March 6, 2020

#### Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2657, Advanced Geothermal Innovation Leadership Act, post-cloture.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

#### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Appropriations*: March 3, Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2021 for the Transportation Security Administration, 10 a.m., SD-138.

March 4, Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2021 for the National Guard and Reserve, 10 a.m., SD-138.

March 4, Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2021 for the Department of Transportation, 10 a.m., SD-192.

March 4, Subcommittee on Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2021 for the Department of the Interior, 10 a.m., SD-124.

March 4, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2021 for the Department of Energy, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

March 5, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2021 for the Department of Commerce, 10 a.m., SD-192.

March 5, Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2021 for the Department of Education, 10 a.m., SD-124.

*Committee on Armed Services*: March 3, to hold hearings to examine the posture of the Department of the Air Force in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2021 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

March 3, Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine United States policy and posture in support of Arctic readiness, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

March 3, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, to receive a closed briefing on Department of Defense cyber operations, 2:30 p.m., SVC-217.

March 4, Subcommittee on SeaPower, to hold hearings to examine Navy shipbuilding programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2021 and the Future Years Defense Program, 10 a.m., SR-222.

March 4, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold open and closed hearings to examine the Department of Defense review of vetting policies for international military students following the attack on Naval Air Station Pensacola, 10 a.m., SR-232A.

March 4, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Defense budget posture in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2021 and the Future Years Defense Program, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.

March 5, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the posture of the Navy in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2021 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs*: March 5, to hold hearings to examine threats posed by

state-owned and state-supported enterprises to public transportation, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* March 3, Subcommittee on Science, Oceans, Fisheries, and Weather, to hold hearings to examine securing United States leadership in the bioeconomy, 9:15 a.m., SD-562.

March 4, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine 5G supply chain security, focusing on threats and solutions, 10 a.m., SR-253.

March 4, Subcommittee on Aviation and Space, to hold hearings to examine the role of global aviation in containing the spread of infectious disease, focusing on coronavirus, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* March 3, business meeting to consider the nomination of James P. Danly, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy; to be immediately followed by hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2021 for the Department of Energy, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

March 4, Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings to examine the impact of invasive species on Bureau of Reclamation facilities and management of water resources in the West, 10:30 a.m., SD-366.

March 4, Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 1863, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the sites associated with the life and legacy of the noted American philanthropist and business executive Julius Rosenwald, with a special focus on the Rosenwald Schools, S. 1910, to rename the Homestead National Monument of America near Beatrice, Nebraska, as the Homestead National Historical Park, S. 1969, to authorize the Fallen Journalists Memorial Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, S. 2206, to express the sense of Congress regarding restoration and maintenance of the Mardasson Memorial in Bastogne, Belgium, S. 2340, to establish the Cahokia Mounds Mississippian Culture National Historical Park in the States of Illinois and Missouri, S. 2827, to amend title 54, United States Code, to establish within the National Park Service the U.S. African-American Burial Grounds Network, S. 2924, to establish the Bandler National Park and Preserve in the State of New Mexico, S. 3098, to redesignate the Jimmy Carter National Historic Site as the "Jimmy Carter National Historical Park", S. 3119, to modify the boundary of the Casa Grande Ruins National Monument, S. 3121, to establish the Chiricahua National Park in the State of Arizona as a unit of the National Park System, S. 3265, to redesignate the Weir Farm National Historic Site in the State of Connecticut as the "Weir Farm National Historical Park", S. 3331, to modify the boundary of the Rocky Mountain National Park, H.R. 182, to extend the authorization for the Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Commission, and H.R. 1472, to rename the Homestead National Monument of America near Beatrice, Nebraska, as the Homestead National Historical Park, 2 p.m., SD-366.

March 5, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the latest developments and longer-term prospects for

global energy markets, with a special focus on the United States, from the perspective of the International Energy Agency, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* March 4, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* March 3, Subcommittee on International Trade, Customs, and Global Competitiveness, to hold hearings to examine censorship as a non-tariff barrier to trade, 2 p.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* March 5, Subcommittee on State Department and USAID Management, International Operations, and Bilateral International Development, to hold hearings to examine the Global Engagement Center, focusing on leading the United States Government's fight against global disinformation threat, 10 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* March 3, to hold hearings to examine an emerging disease threat, focusing on how the United States is responding to COVID-19, the Novel Coronavirus, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* March 4, to hold hearings to examine resources and authorities needed to protect and secure the homeland, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

March 5, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Federal interagency response to the Coronavirus and preparing for future global pandemics, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* March 4, to hold hearings to examine S. 2610, to reauthorize certain programs under the Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs of the Department of Energy, and S. 2891, to require the Secretary of the Interior to establish Tribal Wildlife Corridors, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* March 4, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of John Peter Cronan, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, Thomas T. Cullen, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia, and Jennifer P. Togliatti, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada, 10 a.m., SD-226.

March 4, Subcommittee on Crime and Terrorism, to hold hearings to examine big tech and Beijing, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

March 5, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Fernando L. Aenlle-Rocha, Stanley Blumenfeld, and Mark C. Scarsi, each to be a United States District Judge for the Central District of California, John Charles Hinderaker, to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona, John Leonard Badalamenti, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, William Scott Hardy, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, John F. Heil III, to be United States District Judge for the Northern, Eastern and Western Districts of Oklahoma, David Cleveland Joseph, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, Anna M. Manasco, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama, Drew B.

Tipton, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, and Grace Karaffa Obermann, of Virginia, Stephen Sidney Schwartz, of Virginia, Kathryn C. Davis, of Maryland, and Edward Hulvey Meyers, of Maryland, each to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* March 3, to hold a joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of multiple veterans service organizations, 2 p.m., SD-G50.

March 4, Full Committee, to hold a joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 10 a.m., SD-G50.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* March 3, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

March 4, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

### House Committees

*Committee on Agriculture,* March 4, Full Committee, hearing entitled "The State of the Rural Economy with Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue", 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Appropriations,* March 4, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Environmental Protection Agency, 9:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, budget hearing on the Department of the Treasury, 10 a.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the National Institutes of Health, 10 a.m., 2358-C Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Department of Housing and Urban Development, 10:30 a.m., 2358-A Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Department of Veterans Affairs, 10:30 a.m., 2362-B Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Defense, budget hearing on the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps, 11 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

March 4, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, hearing entitled "Member Day", 1 p.m., HT-2 Capitol.

March 4, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, budget hearing on the Export and Finance Agencies, 1 p.m., 2358-C Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled "Member Day", 1:45 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

March 4, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled "Department of Energy/National Nuclear Security Administration", 2 p.m., 2362-B Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, hearing entitled "Public Witness Day", 2 p.m., HT-2 Capitol.

March 4, Subcommittee on Defense, hearing entitled "U.S. Space Force Organizational Plan", 3 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

March 5, Subcommittee on Defense, hearing entitled "Defense Health Program (DHP)", 9 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

March 5, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch budget hearing on the Architect of the Capitol, 10 a.m., HT-2 Capitol.

March 5, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, budget hearing on the Government Publishing Office, 11 a.m., HT-2 Capitol.

*Committee on Armed Services,* March 4, Full Committee, hearing entitled "The Fiscal Year 2021 National Defense Authorization Budget Request for the Department of the Air Force", 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces, hearing entitled "Department of the Navy Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Request for Seapower and Projection Forces", 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Intelligence and Emerging Threats and Capabilities, hearing entitled "The Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Request for U.S. Cyber Command and Operations in Cyberspace", 2:30 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

March 5, Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces, hearing entitled "The Fiscal Year 2021 Army and Marine Corps Ground Modernization Programs", 9:30 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget,* March 4, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Department of Health and Human Services FY 2021 Budget", 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Education and Labor,* March 4, Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Investment, hearing entitled "Reauthorizing the National Apprenticeship Act: Strengthening and Growing Apprenticeships for the 21st Century", 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* March 4, Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce, hearing entitled "Buyer Beware: Fake and Unsafe Products", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Environment and Climate Change, hearing entitled "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Reform: Addressing America's Plastic Waste Crisis", 10:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* March 4, Subcommittee on National Security, International Development, and Monetary Policy, hearing entitled "The Traffickers' Roadmap: How Bad Actors Exploit Financial Systems to Facilitate the Illicit Trade in People, Animals, Drugs, and Weapons", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Housing, Community Development, and Insurance, hearing entitled "Drivers of Discrimination: An Examination of Unfair Premiums, Practices, and Policies in the Auto Insurance Industry", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* March 4, Full Committee, markup on H. Res. 512, calling for the global repeal of blasphemy, heresy, and apostasy laws; H.R. 5408, the

“Ukraine Religious Freedom Support Act”; H. Res. 742, the “Recognizing the continued success of the Food for Peace Act”; H.R. 5664, the “LIFT Act”; H. Res. 720, expressing the sense of House of Representatives that the International Olympic Committee should correct Jim Thorpe’s Olympic records for his unprecedented accomplishments during the 1912 Olympic Games; H.R. 2166, the “Global Health Security Act”; H.R. 2847, the “No Passport Fees for Heroes’ Families Act”; H. Res. 723, encouraging all nations to end sexual violence against girls through in-country data-driven reforms as demonstrated by multiple African nations; H. Res. 809, Expressing the importance of the United States alliance with the Republic of Korea and the contributions of Korean Americans in the United States; H. Res. 458, reaffirming the strong partnership between Tunisia and the United States and supporting the people of Tunisia in their continued pursuit of democratic reforms; and H.R. 1611, the “Robert Levinson Hostage Recovery and Hostage-Taking Accountability Act”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, March 4, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Confronting the Coronavirus: Perspectives on the Response to a Pandemic Threat”, 10 a.m., 310 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, March 5, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, hearing entitled “Presidential Clemency and Opportunities for Reform”, 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, March 4, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Examining the Department of the Interior’s Spending Priorities and the President’s Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Proposal 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Reform*, March 4, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 4894, the “Congressional Budget Justification Transparency Act”; H.R. 5885, the “Federal Employee Parental Leave Technical Corrections Act”; H.R. 5901, the “Modernization Centers of Excellence Program Act”; and H.R. 6020, a bill requiring a GAO study on Minor League Baseball; and several postal naming measures, 10:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

March 4, Subcommittee on Government Operations, hearing entitled “Making IT a Priority for the Federal Government”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, March 4, Subcommittee on Environment, markup on H.R. 5519, the “Atmospheric Climate Intervention Research Act”; H.R. 4656, the “Background Ozone Research Act”; and H.R. 3297, the “Harmful Algal Bloom Essential Forecasting Act”, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

March 5, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Beyond Coronaviruses: Understanding the Spread of Infectious Diseases and Mobilizing Innovative Solutions”, 9 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, March 4, Full Committee, business meeting on the Committee’s Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2021, 11:15 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

March 4, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Building Blocks of Change: The Benefits of Blockchain Technology for Small Businesses”, 11:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, March 4, Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, hearing entitled “Funding a Robust Freight and Passenger Rail Network”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, March 5, Subcommittee on Technology Modernization, hearing entitled “Getting It Right: Challenges with the Go-live of Electronic Health Record Modernization”, 9 a.m., HVC–210.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, March 4, Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures, hearing entitled “Examining the Impact of the Tax Code on Native American Tribes”, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

### Joint Meetings

*Joint Hearing*: March 3, Senate Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, to hold a joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans’ Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of multiple veterans service organizations, 2 p.m., SD–G50.

March 4, Full Committee, to hold a joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans’ Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 10 a.m., SD–G50.



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## SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTEENTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

### DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through February 29, 2020

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session .....	33	32	..
Time in session .....	183 hrs., 42'	127 hrs., 15'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings .....	1,237	1,424	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	237	..
Public bills enacted into law .....	3	7	10
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference .....	..	..	..
Measures passed, total .....	68	96	164
Senate bills .....	11	6	..
House bills .....	10	64	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	4	2	..
House joint resolutions .....	1	3	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	1	2	..
Simple resolutions .....	41	19	..
Measures reported, total .....	*29	43	72
Senate bills .....	26	..	..
House bills .....	3	34	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	1	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
Simple resolutions .....	..	8	..
Special reports .....	1	3	..
Conference reports .....	..	..	..
Measures pending on calendar .....	295	24	..
Measures introduced, total .....	293	621	914
Bills .....	218	504	..
Joint resolutions .....	8	4	..
Concurrent resolutions .....	6	12	..
Simple resolutions .....	61	101	..
Quorum calls .....	1	1	..
Yea-and-nay votes .....	62	48	..
Recorded votes .....	..	29	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	..	..
Vetoes overridden .....	..	..	..

### DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 3 through February 29, 2020

Civilian nominees, totaling 179 (including 87 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed .....		22
Unconfirmed .....		157
Withdrawn .....		2
Other Civilian nominees, totaling 456 (including 1 nominee carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Unconfirmed .....		456
Air Force nominees, totaling 1,004, disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed .....		752
Unconfirmed .....		252
Army nominees, totaling 2,570 (including 3 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed .....		142
Unconfirmed .....		2,428
Navy nominees, totaling 161 (including 2 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed .....		71
Unconfirmed .....		90
Marine Corps nominees, totaling 1,315, disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed .....		60
Unconfirmed .....		1,255
<i>Summary</i>		
Total nominees carried over from the First Session .....		93
Total nominees received this Session .....		5,592
Total confirmed .....		1,047
Total unconfirmed .....		4,638
Total withdrawn .....		2
Total returned to the White House .....		0

\*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 30 written reports have been filed in the Senate, 46 reports have been filed in the House.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Tuesday, March 3

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Tuesday, March 3

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2657, Advanced Geothermal Innovation Leadership Act, post-cloture.

*(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)*

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Consideration of measures under suspension of the Rules.

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